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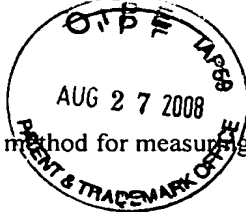
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF: SPANKE

SERIAL NO.: 10/539,114

FILED: 16 June 2005

FOR: Filling level sensor and method for measuring a filling level



CONFIRMATION NO. 9464

GROUP ART UNIT: 2856

EXAMINER: R. T. Frank

ATTY. REFERENCE: SPAN3007/FJD

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

**Commissioner for Patents**  
**P.O. Box 1450**  
**Alexandria, VA. 22202-3514**

*Sir:*

Applicant requests that the time for taking action in this case be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136 (a) for:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> One Month (\$120)             | <input type="checkbox"/> Three Months (\$1050) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Two Months (\$460) | <input type="checkbox"/> Four Months (\$1640)  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Five Months (\$2230)          |  |

The fee set in 37 CFR 1.17 for the extension of time is \$ 460.

- ☒ Fee enclosed. Please charge any additional fee required for this extension of time to **Deposit Account Number 02-0200**. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.
- ☐ Charge fee to **Deposit Account Number 02-0200**. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.
- ☐ Applicant is a **small entity** entitled to pay reduced fees in this application.  
A verified small entity statement ☐ has been filed. ☐ is enclosed.

Also enclosed is a:

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